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THE HEDGEHOG



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IT'S TOUGH BEING

SONIC

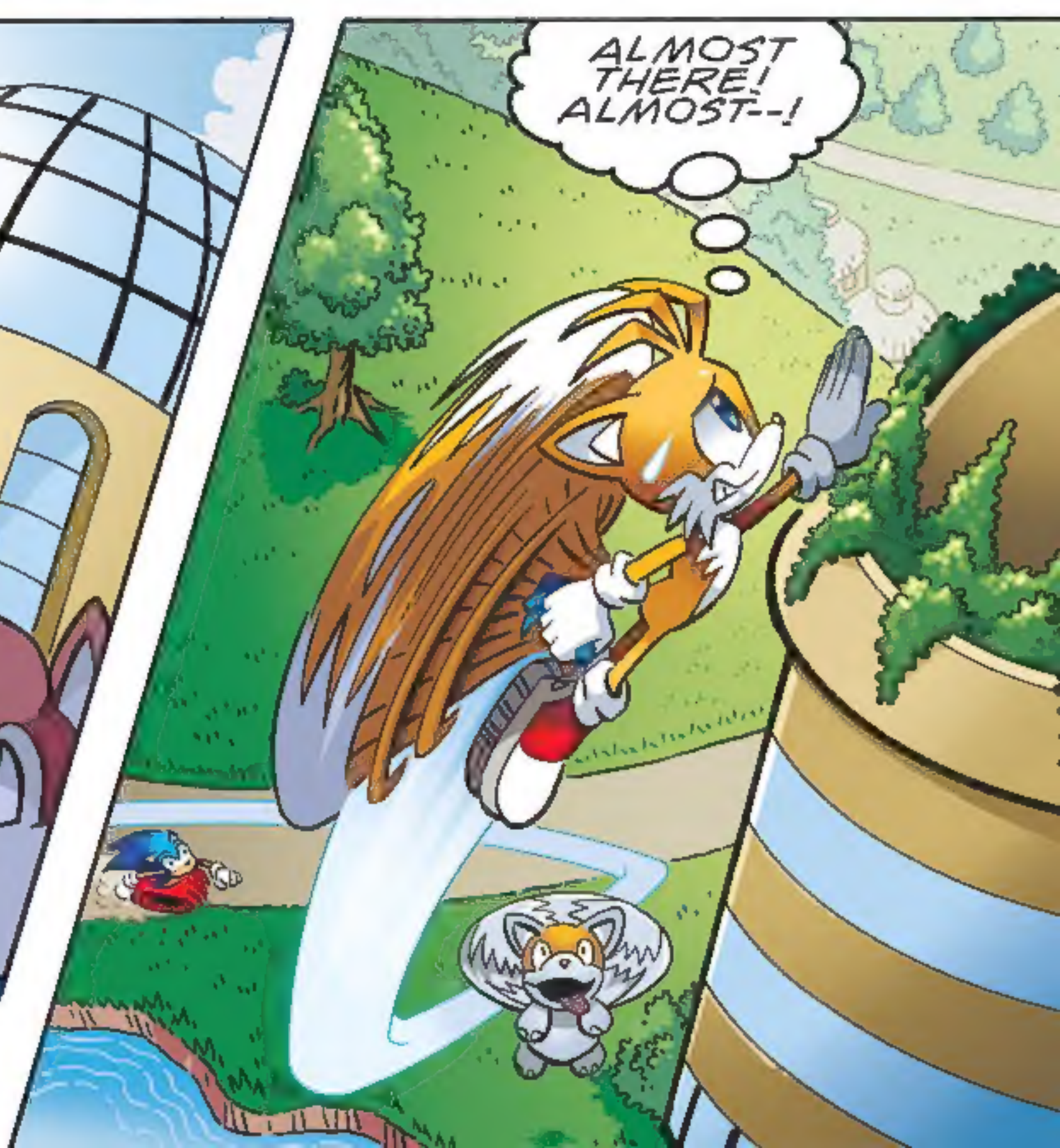
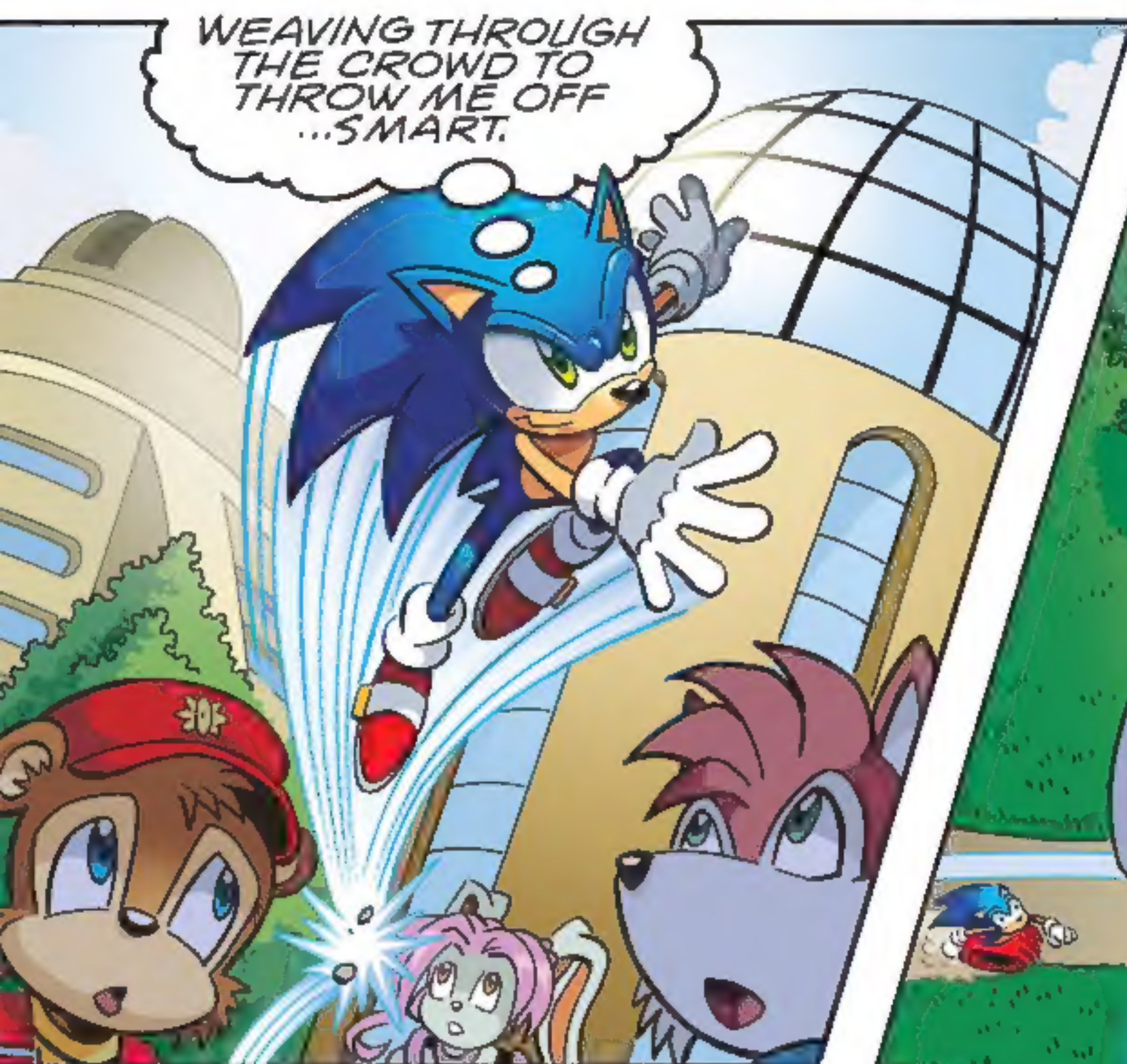
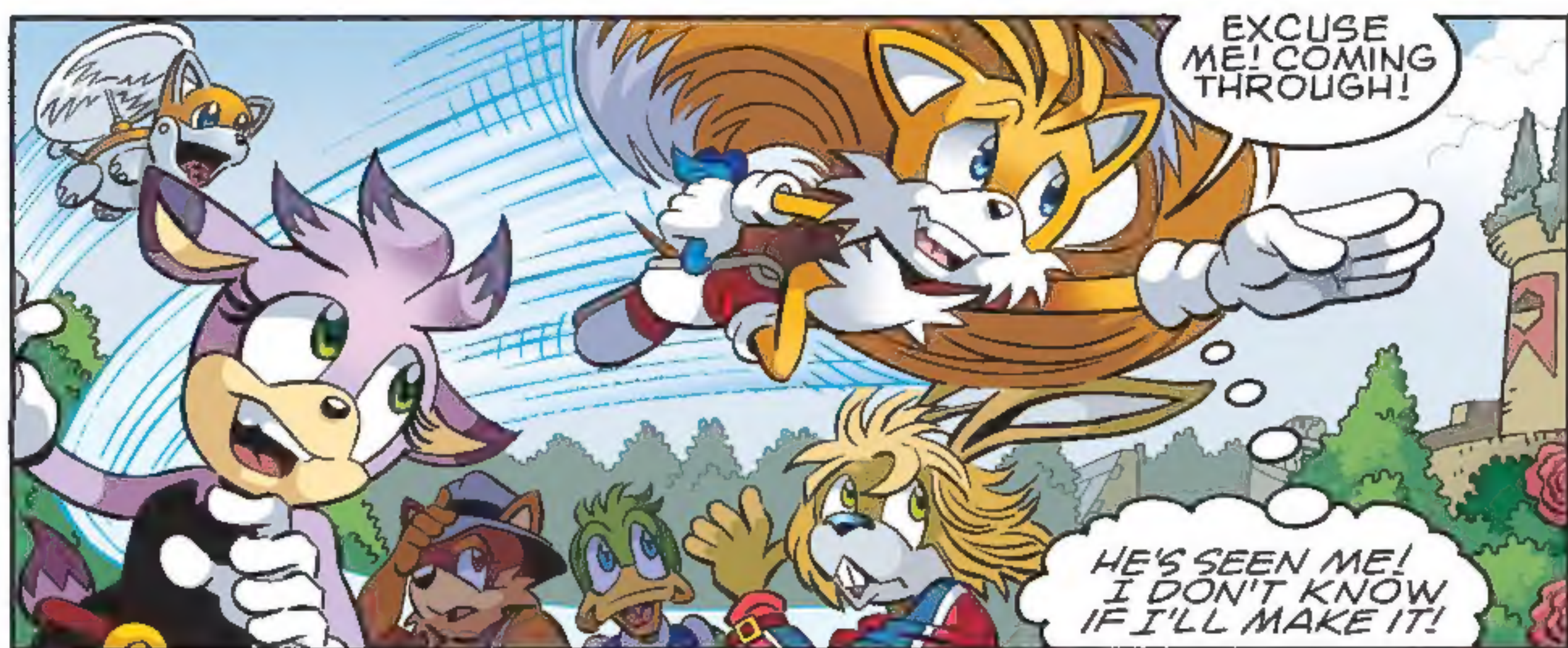
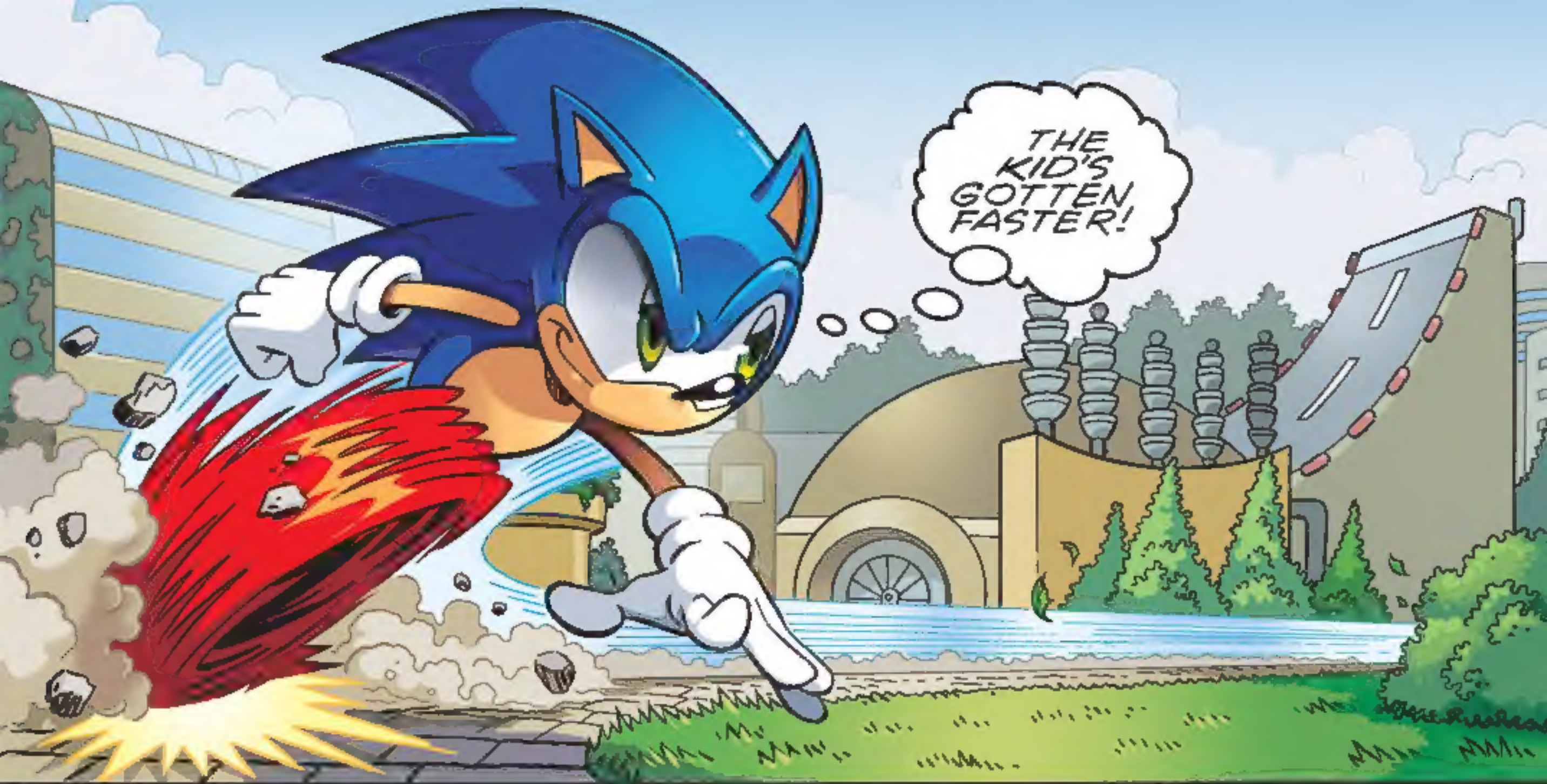
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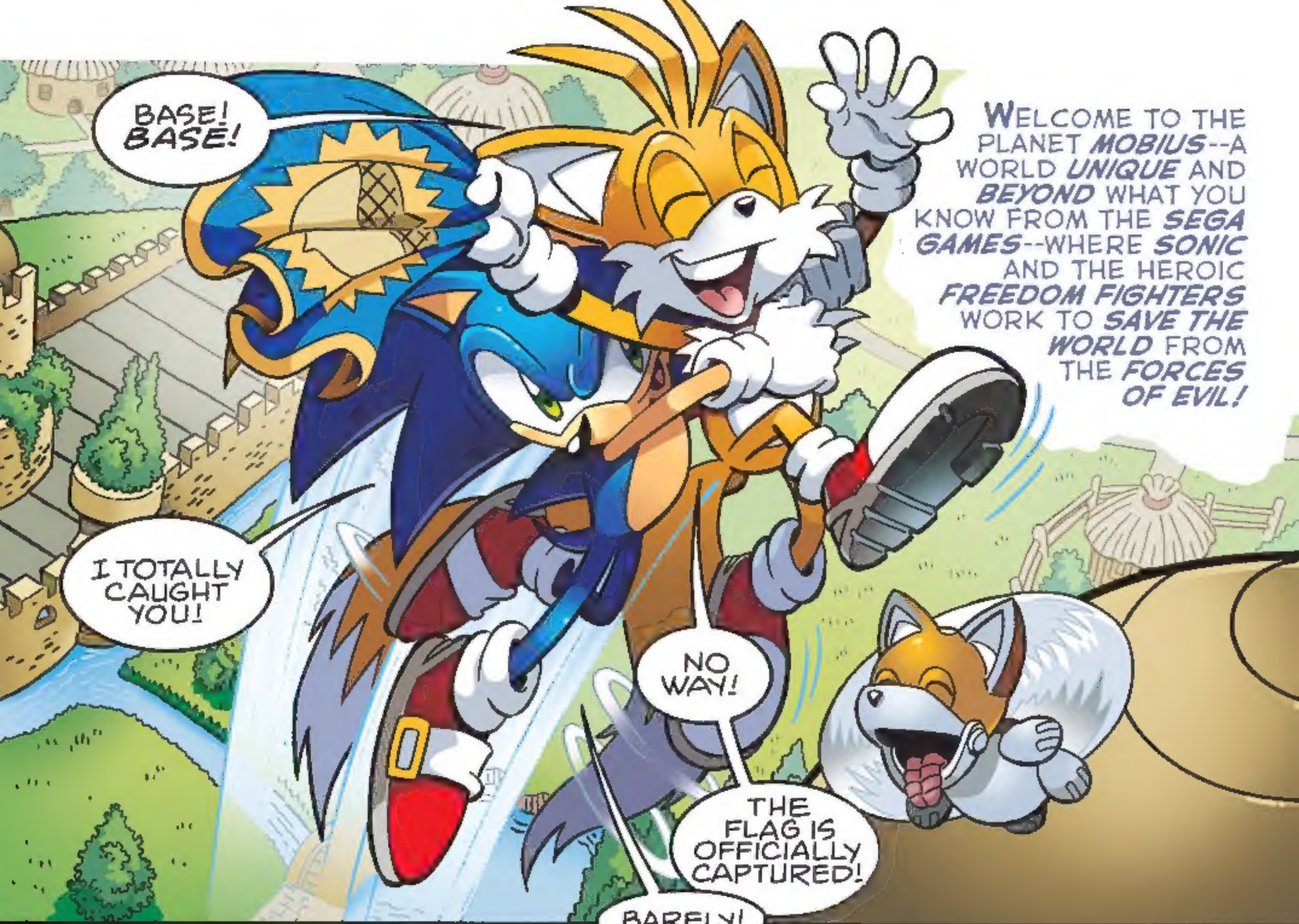
THESE DAYS...

**...BETRAYED BY A
TEAMMATE, FORCED
TO FIGHT OFF ANGRY
MOBS, AN ARCH-NEMESIS
IN HIDING...**

**...SOUNDS LIKE
SOMEBODY COULD
USE A BREAK...**



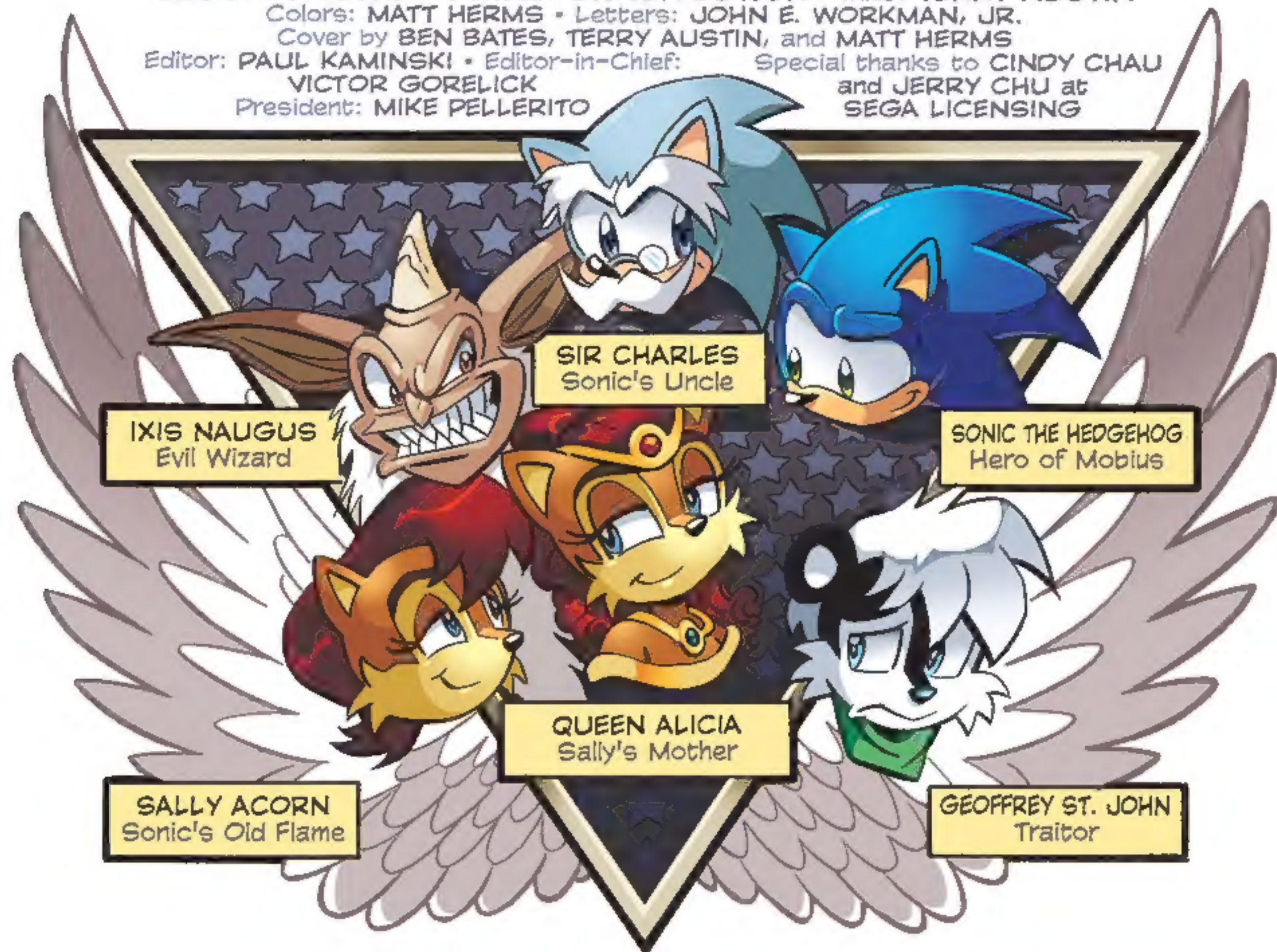




WELCOME TO THE
PLANET *MOBIUS*--A
WORLD *UNIQUE* AND
BEYOND WHAT YOU
KNOW FROM THE *SEGA*
GAMES--WHERE *SONIC*
AND THE HEROIC
FREEDOM FIGHTERS
WORK TO *SAVE THE*
WORLD FROM
THE *FORCES*
OF *EVIL*!

THE WORLD CAN WAIT

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IXIS NAUGUS
Evil Wizard

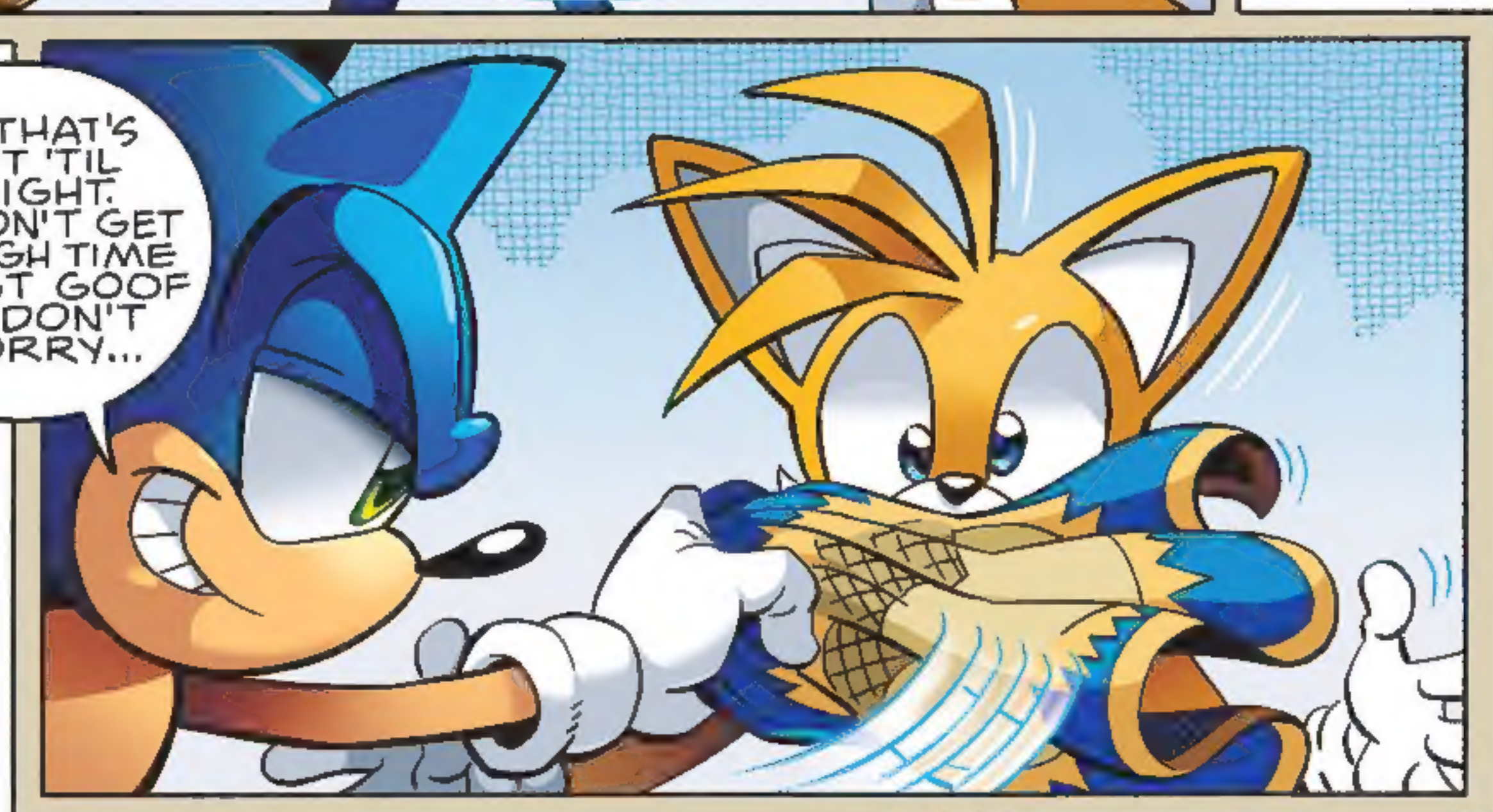
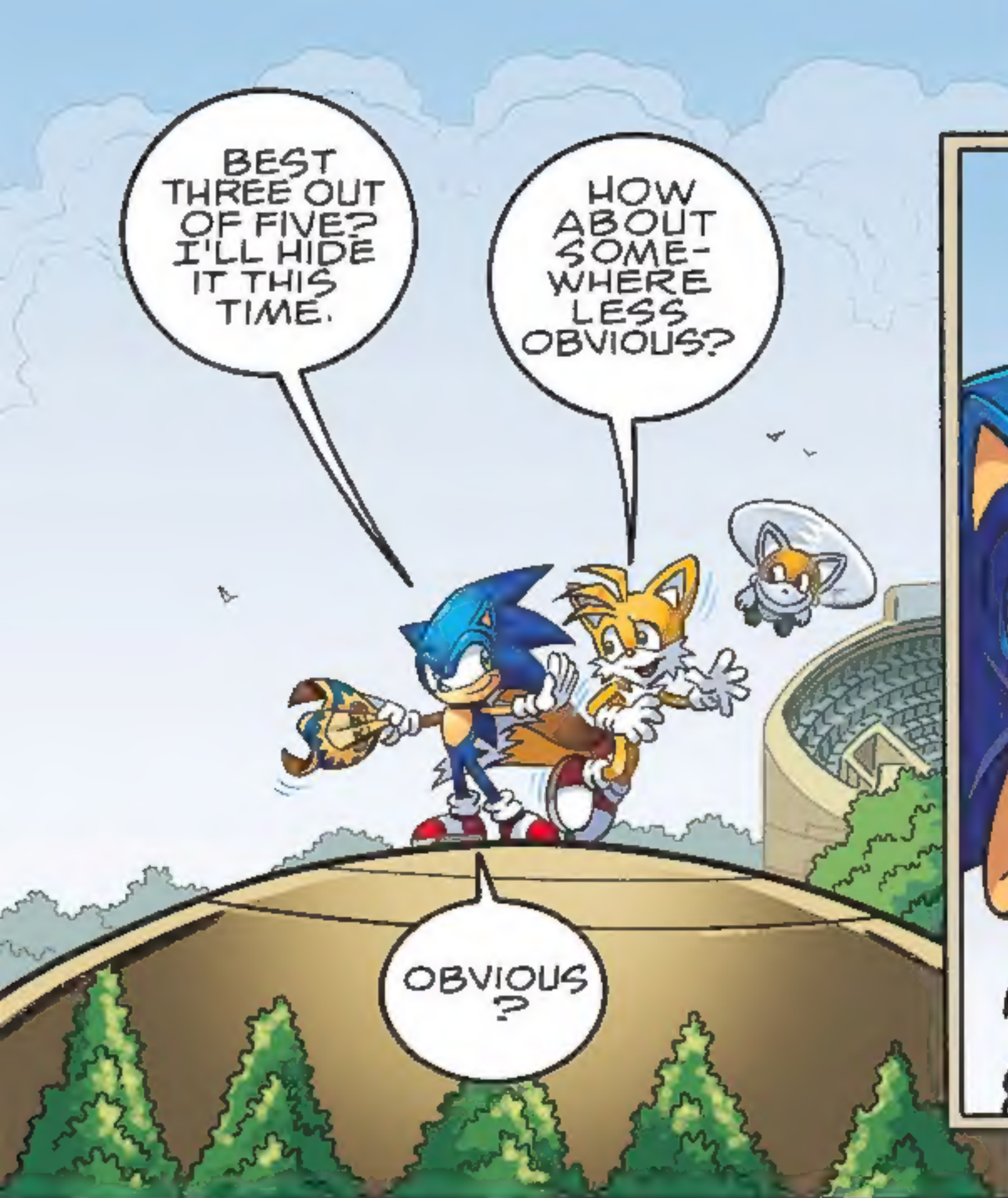
SIR CHARLES
Sonic's Uncle

SONIC THE HEDGEHOG
Hero of Mobius

QUEEN ALICIA
Sally's Mother

SALLY ACORN
Sonic's Old Flame

GEOFFREY ST. JOHN
Traitor



"...I'VE GOT
PLENTY OF
TIME."

...AND ASIDE FROM THE
USUAL YAGYU RAIDS, THINGS
HAVE BEEN GOING WELL.

STORMTOP
VILLAGE--
DRAGON
KINGDOM.

THE OTHER
CLANS HAVE BEEN
COOPERATING?

OH, THEY'RE
STILL BICKERING
AND POSTURING
AND BLAH,
BLAH, BLAH!

POLITICS ARE
NEVER EASY.

YEAH, YEAH, BUT THE
FREE PEOPLE ARE
LIVING IN PEACE, SO
I CAN'T REALLY
COMPLAIN.

AND THE
IRON QUEEN?

"OBNOXIOUS,
BUT SHE'S
NOT GOING
ANYWHERE."



BUT YOU DIDN'T
COME HERE JUST
TO CHECK UP ON
THE DRAGON
KINGDOM.

I...WELL...I
DO CARE...
IT'S JUST...



THINGS ARE...TENSE
AT HOME. PEOPLE ARE
NERVOUS ABOUT
NICOLE. EGGMAN IS
STILL MISSING, AND
THEN SOMEONE WE
THOUGHT WE
TRUSTED...

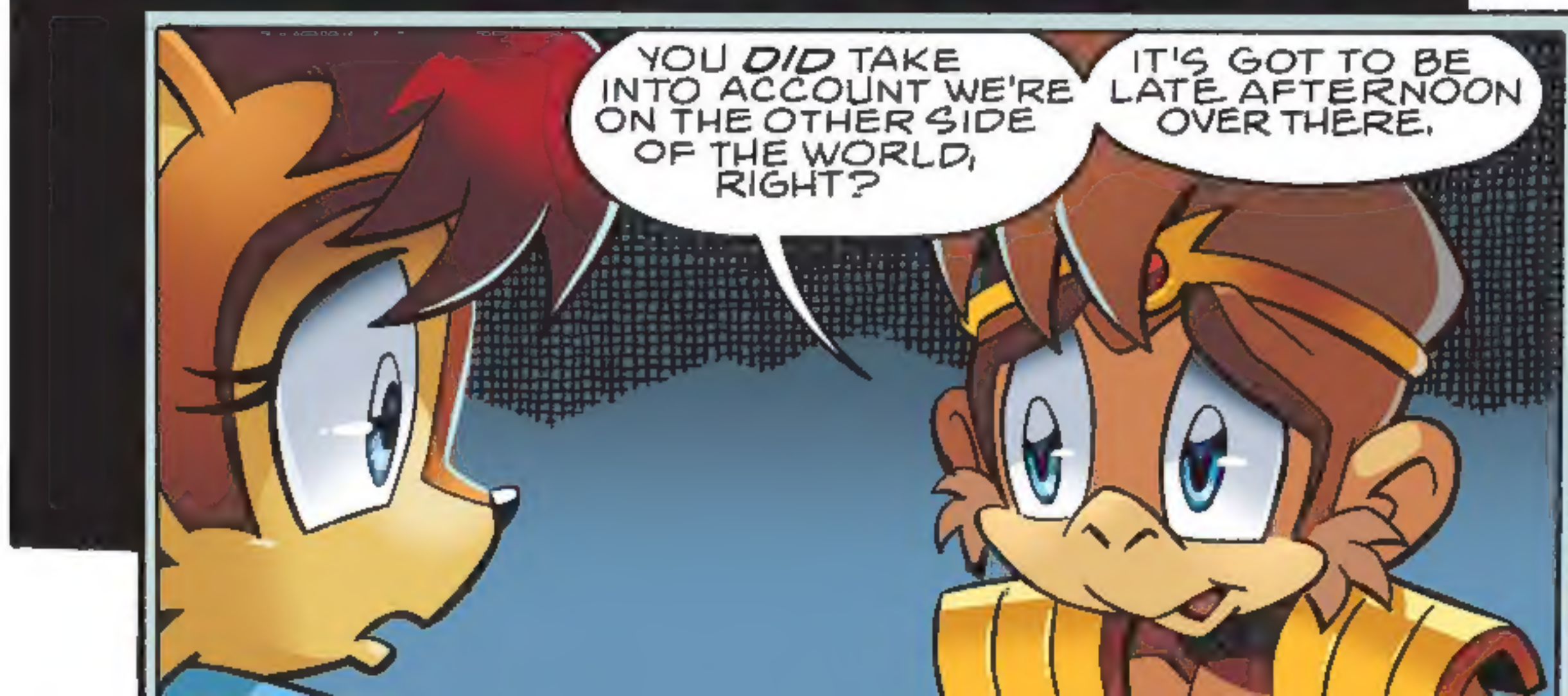
NUH-LIH,
YOU DON'T
RUN FROM
CHAL-
LENGES
LIKE THAT,
WHAT IS IT,
REALLY
?



I HAVE A
DATE WITH
SONIC
TONIGHT.

THERE
WE GO.
YOU CAN
TELL ME
THESE
THINGS.

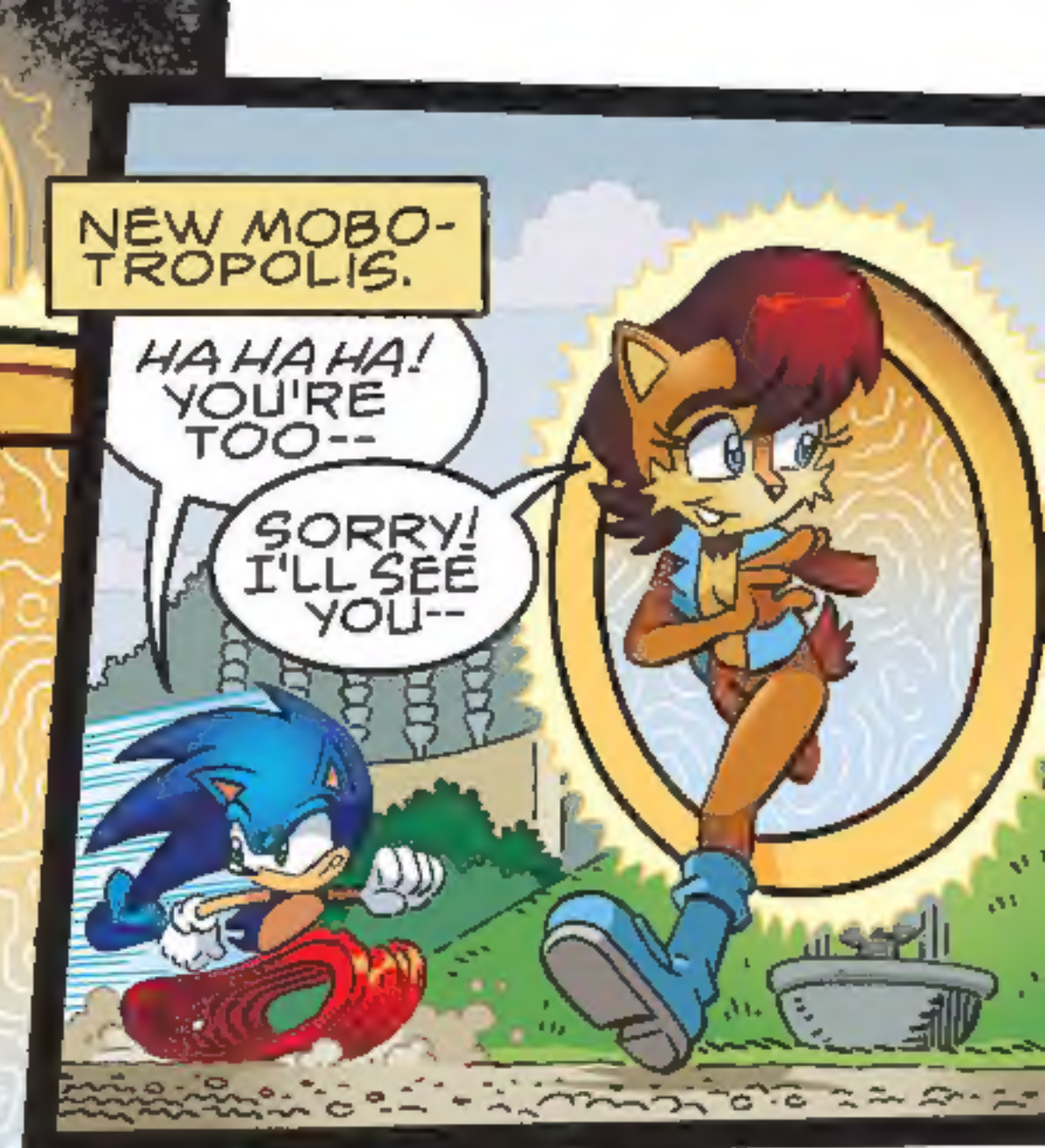






OH, MY GOSH! I CAN'T BELIEVE I--! THANKS FOR LISTENING, KEN! I'VE GOT TO--

I KNOW... SEE YOU LATER, SALLY.



NEW MOBO-TROPOLIS.

HA HA HA! YOU'RE TOO--

SORRY! I'LL SEE YOU--



OOF!



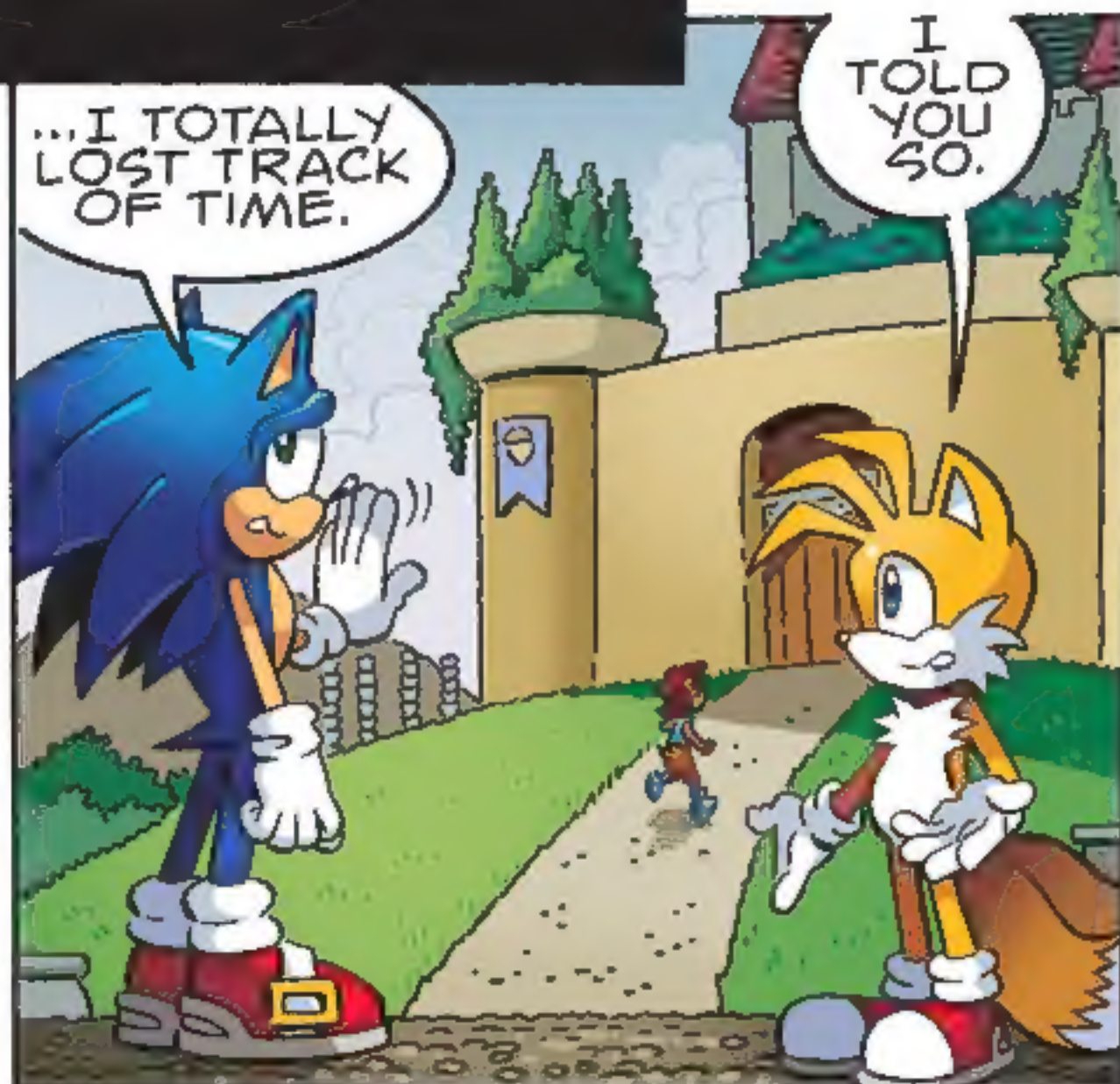
WHOA, SORRY, SAL. DIDN'T SEE YOU THERE.

NO, I'M SORRY, I... MIGHT BE A LITTLE LATE TONIGHT.



S'COOL.

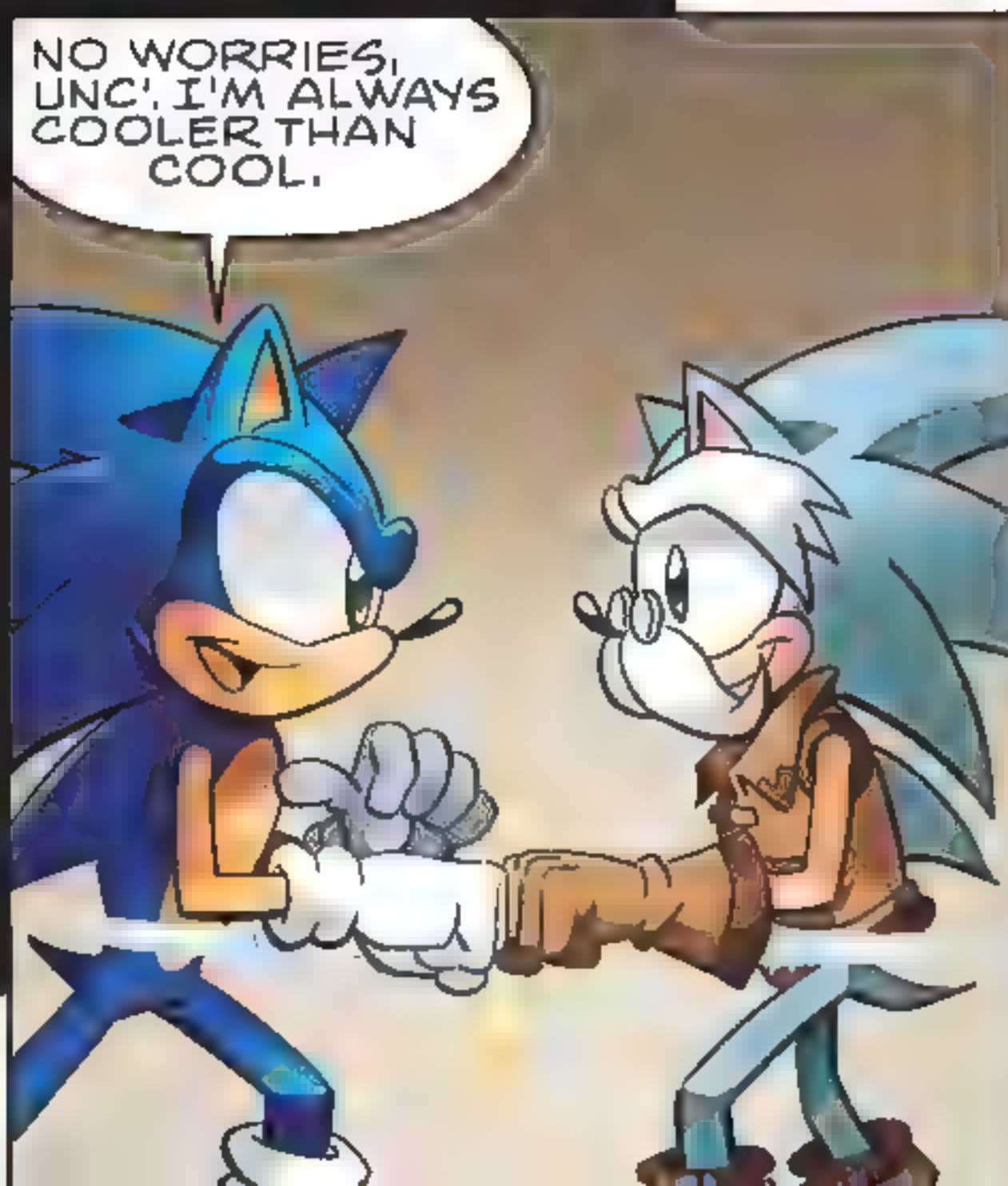
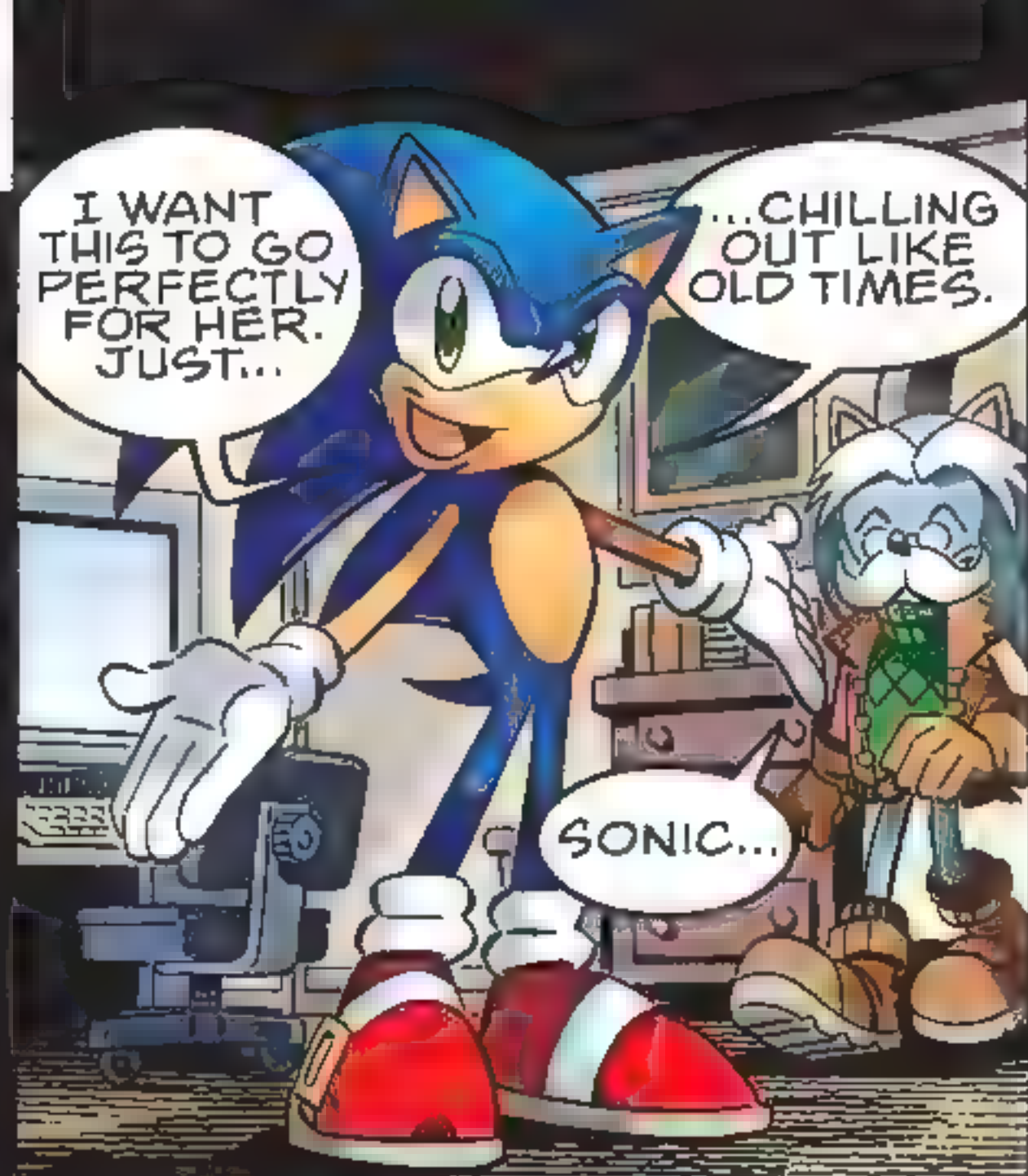
THANKS. HI, TAILS. I'VE GOT TO RUN!



...I TOTALLY LOST TRACK OF TIME.

I TOLD YOU SO.







SOON...

SORRY FOR THE DELAY!

AW, DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT. READY FOR DINNER?

SURE, CHUCK'S DINER SOUND GOOD TO YOU?

NORMALLY, YEAH, BUT I GOT US RESERVATIONS AT CRÈME DE LA CRÈME.

YOU DID?



IT'S OUR FIRST DATE IN FOREVER, SO I FIGURED WE'D DO SOMETHING FANCY. BUT IF YOU'D PREFER CHUCK'S...

NO! THAT SOUNDS FINE!



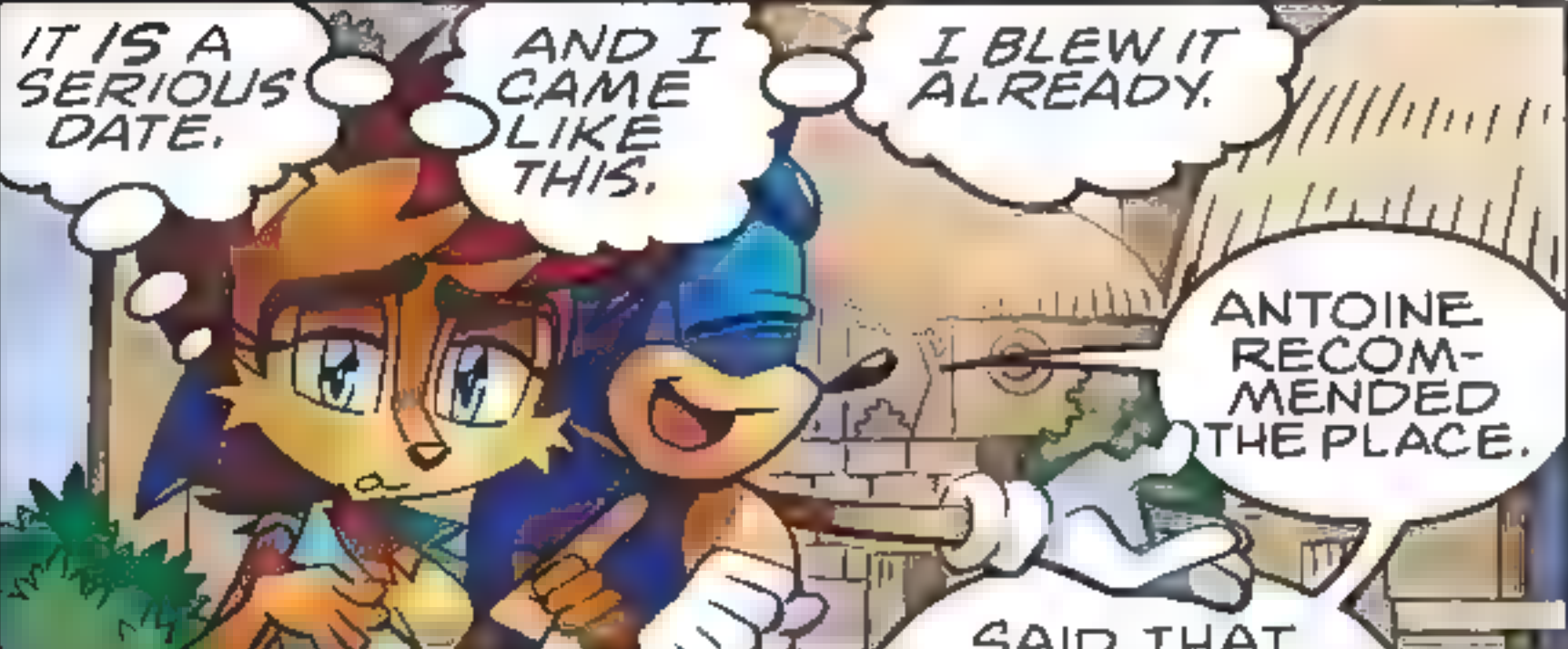
IT IS A SERIOUS DATE.

AND I CAME LIKE THIS.

I BLEW IT ALREADY.

ANTOINE RECOMMENDED THE PLACE.

SAID THAT THEY DON'T USE MARGARINE, OR SOMETHING LIKE THAT...

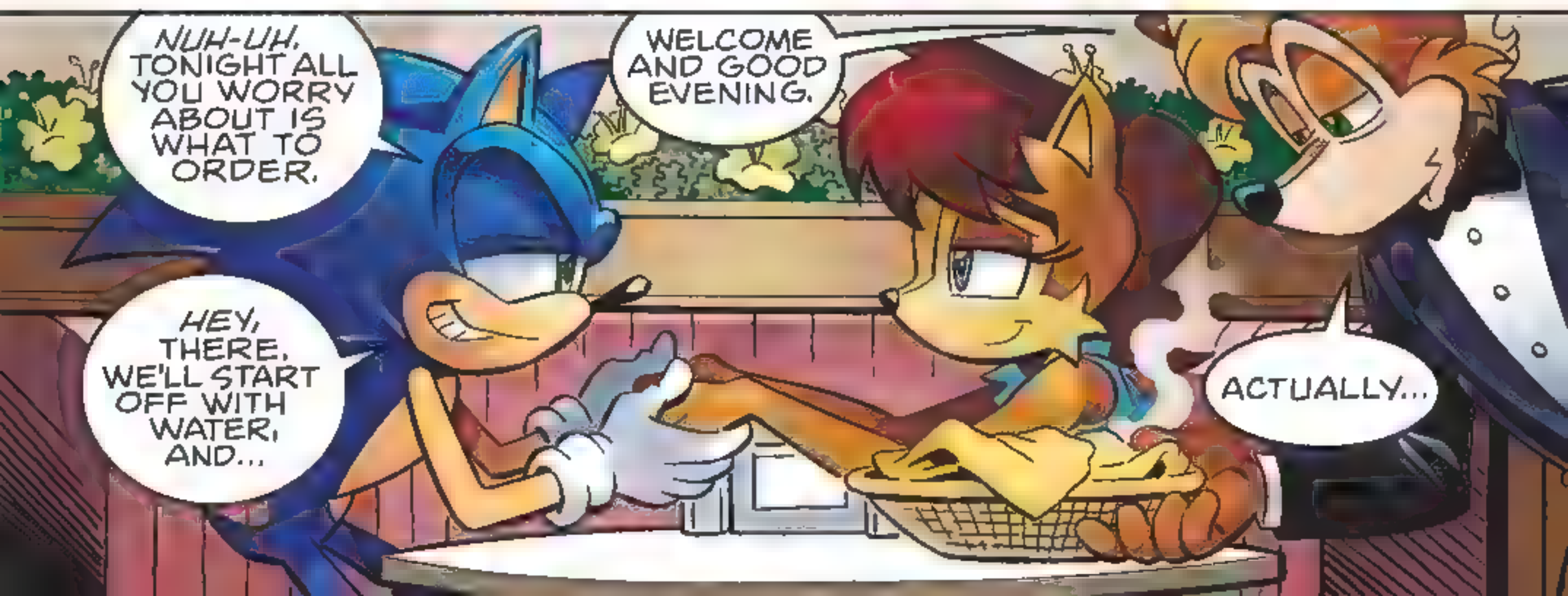
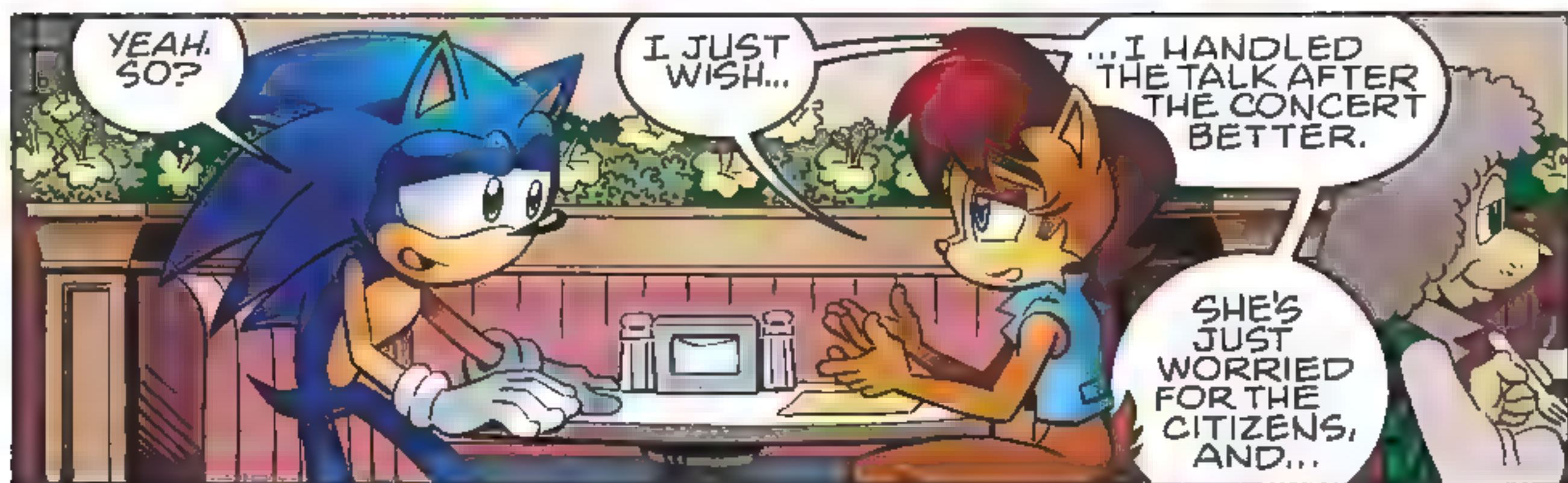
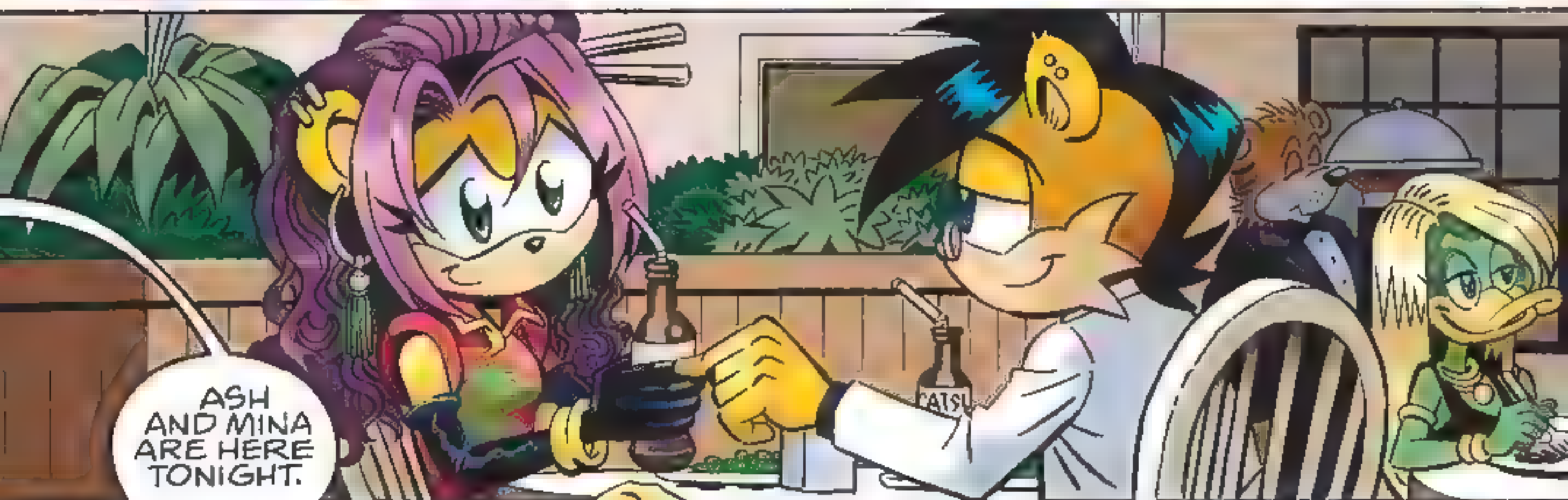
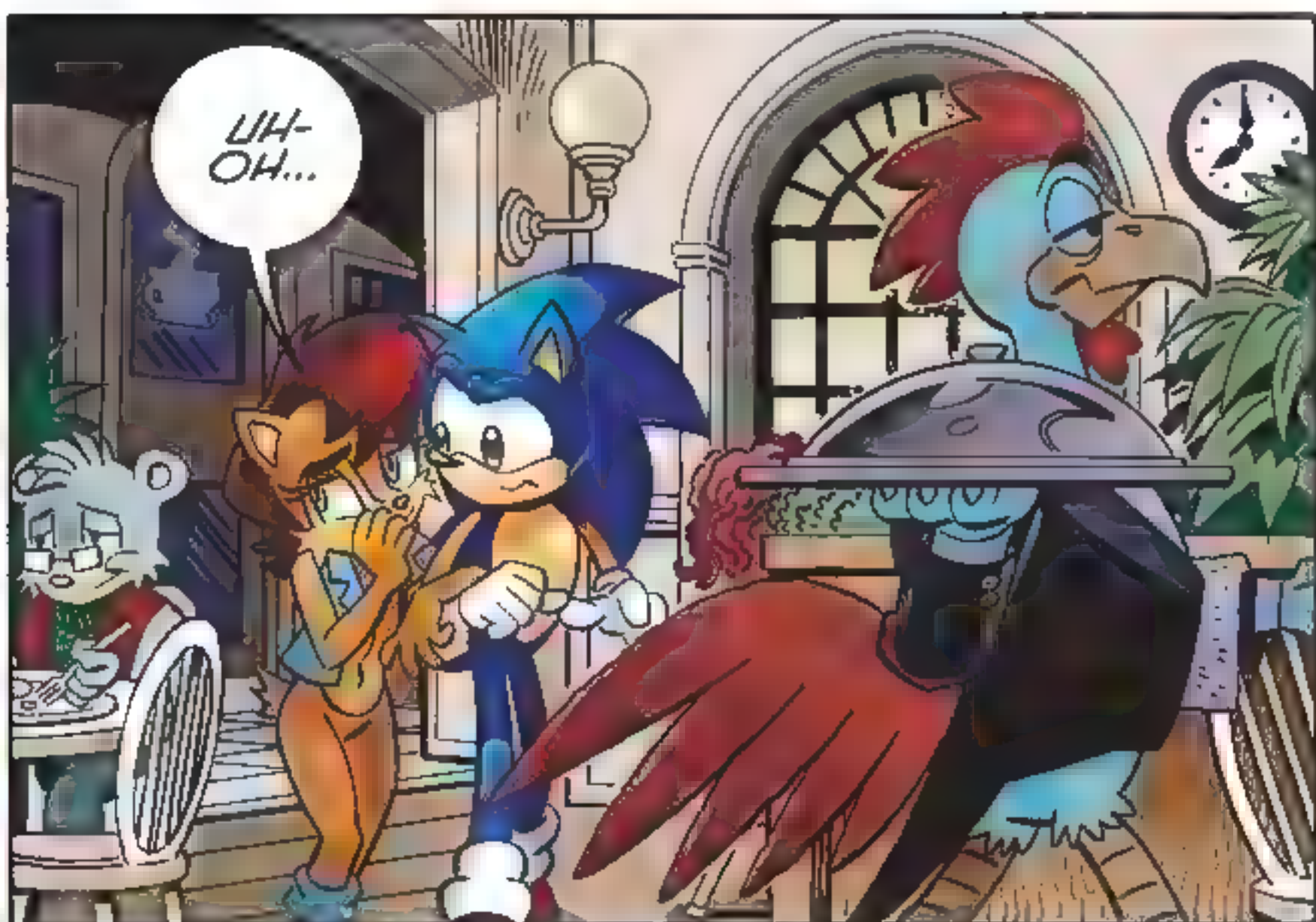
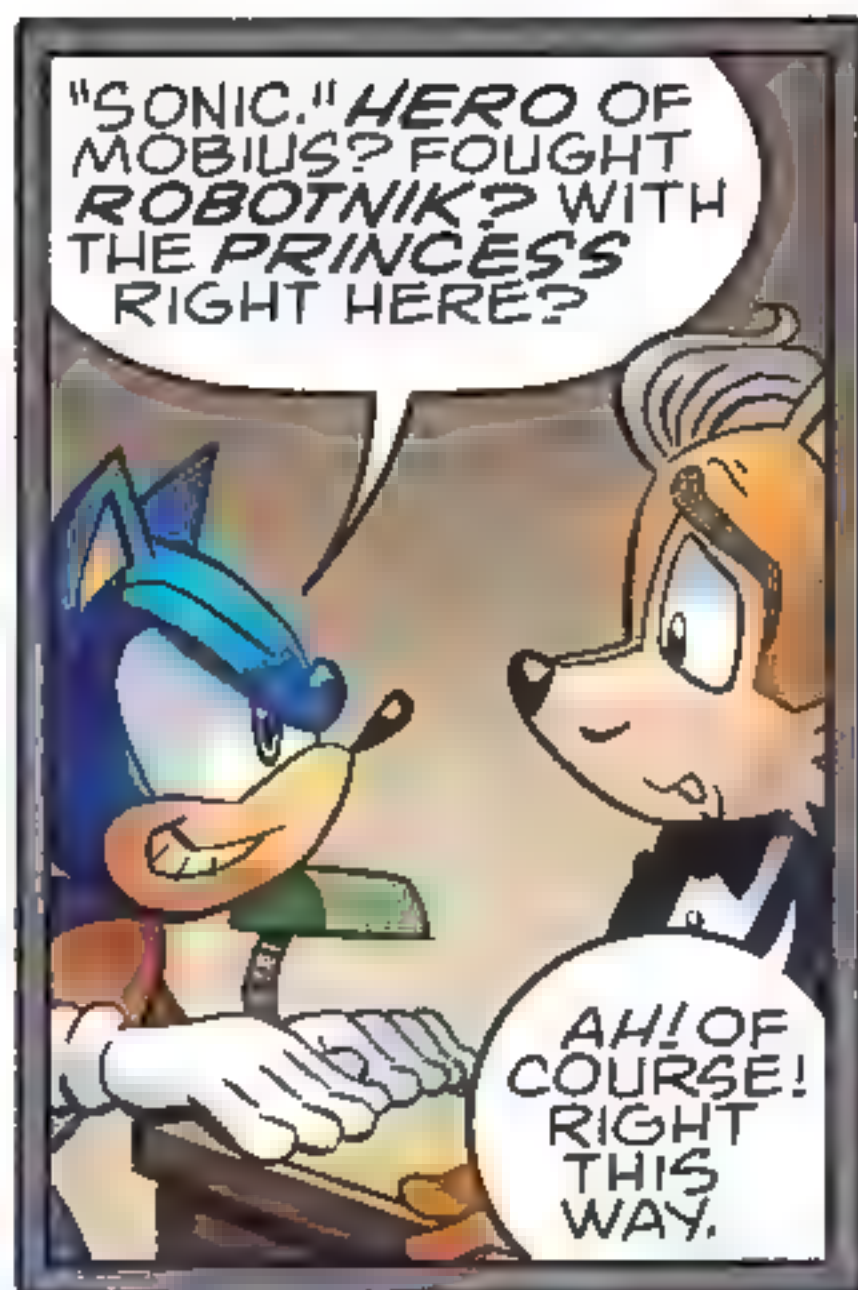


AND SO...

RESERVATION FOR TWO, UNDER "SONIC."



I'M SORRY, SIR, I DON'T...



I WAS WONDERING
IF I MIGHT ASK YOU
SOMETHING FIRST.

UH... SURE.
SHOOT.

WHEN ARE THE
FREEDOM
FIGHTERS
GOING TO
PULL THE
PLUG ON
NICOLE?
Y'KNOW...
SINCE
SHE'S...

...A THREAT
TO THE CITY.

WE'RE
DOING
NO SUCH
THING.
WE--

YEAH! NICOLE IS
A FREEDOM
FIGHTER
TOO!

SHE HELPED
CAPTURE AND
LEGIONIZE
MOBIANS!

THE IRON QUEEN
WAS USING
MIND CONTROL,
DUH!

~SIGH~
LET'S GO,
ASH.

SURE. BUT NO
DESSERT?

"THIS ISN'T WHAT
MY MUSIC WAS
SUPPOSED TO
CREATE."

--THERE'S
STILL NO
EXCUSE FOR--

--YEAH,
WELL, I
THINK--

--SAVED
US ALL
BACK
WHEN--

--NEITHER
OF YOU
REALIZE
THAT--

I CAN'T.
NOT WITH *THAT*
GOING ON.

SUDDENLY
I'VE LOST MY
APPETITE.
DO YOU WANT
TO...?

YES,
PLEASE.

HEY! WAIT!
WHAT DO YOU
HAVE TO SAY
ABOUT THIS?

YEAH! YOU'RE
FREEDOM FIGHTERS!
YOU'VE GOT TO DO
SOMETHING
ABOUT THIS.

LOOK!
GUYS!
COULD YOU
JUST--!

GIVE
IT A
REST!



"AND RIGHT NOW, SALLY MAKES HIM HAPPY."

TELL ME SOMETHING, SONIC.

HMM?

WERE YOU WAITING FOR ME ALL THIS TIME?

NAH.

SUCH CHARM. BE STILL, MY HEART.

I KNEW YOU WOULDN'T WANT ME TO. WE'VE ALL GOT OUR OWN LIVES TO LEAD. WE'VE GOT TO LIVE THEM THE BEST WE CAN.

YOU'RE RIGHT. BESIDES, THERES NO USE TELLING SONIC THE HEDGEHOG TO STOP MOVING.

NOPE.

BUT... FIONA?

I NEVER SAID I ALWAYS MADE THE **RIGHT** MOVES.

SO YOU WOULD'VE BEEN OKAY IF I STAYED WITH KEN KHAN?

WELL...HE'S A STEP UP FROM GEOFFREY, BUT THAT'S NOT SAYING MUCH.

HA HA HA!
YOU WERE
JEALOUS!

YEAH, WELL,
YOU WERE
JEALOUS OF
MINA, AND WE
DIDN'T EVEN
HAVE ANY-
THING
GOING ON.

I SEE
HOW IT IS!
I OPEN UP
TO YOU,
AND YOU
TURN IT
BACK ON
ME!

HAHA!
YEP,
ALWAYS
ONE STEP
AHEAD OF
EVERY-
ONE!

WELL, DON'T GET
TOO MUCH FURTHER
AHEAD.

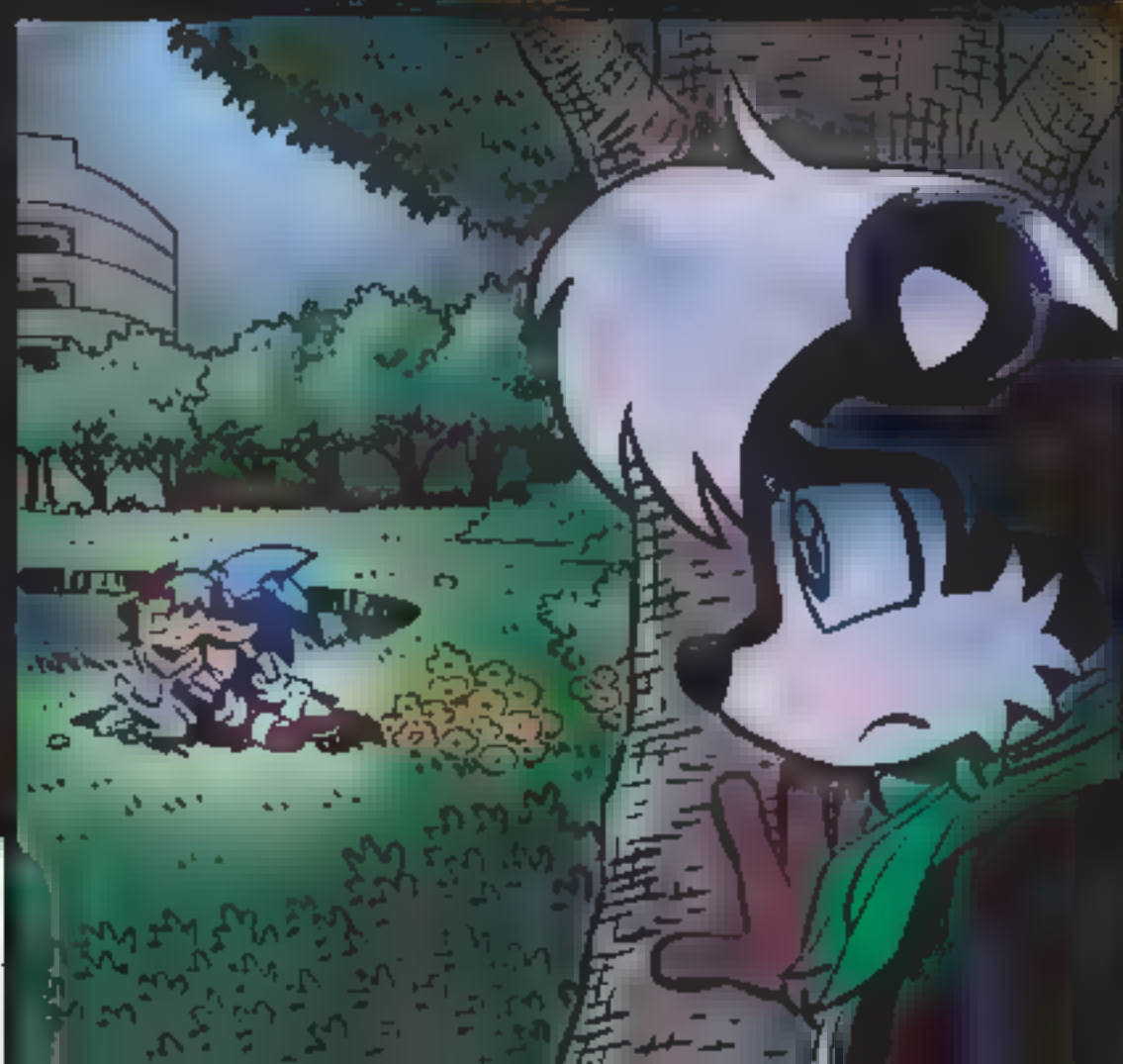
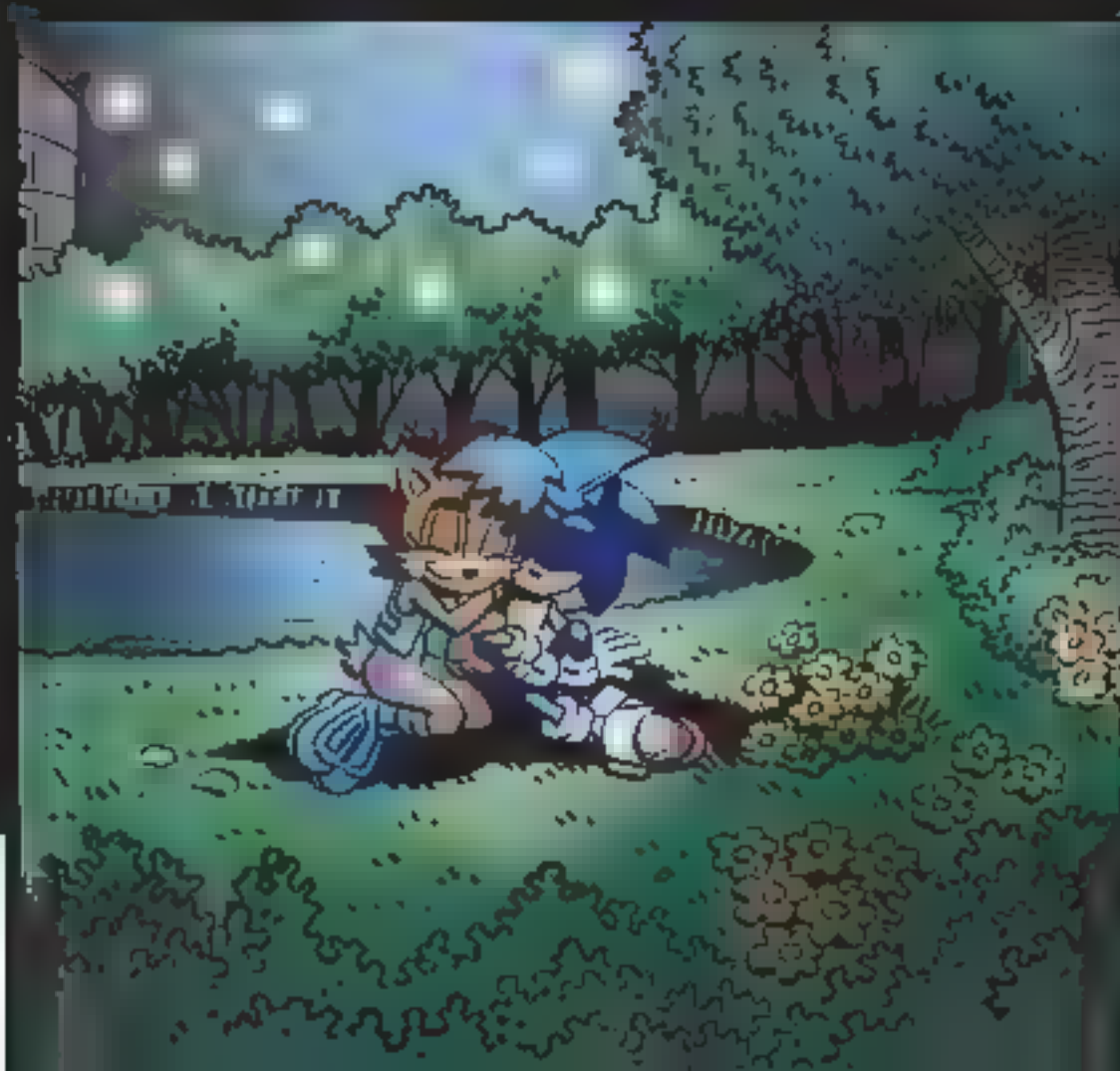
NO? WHY
NOT?

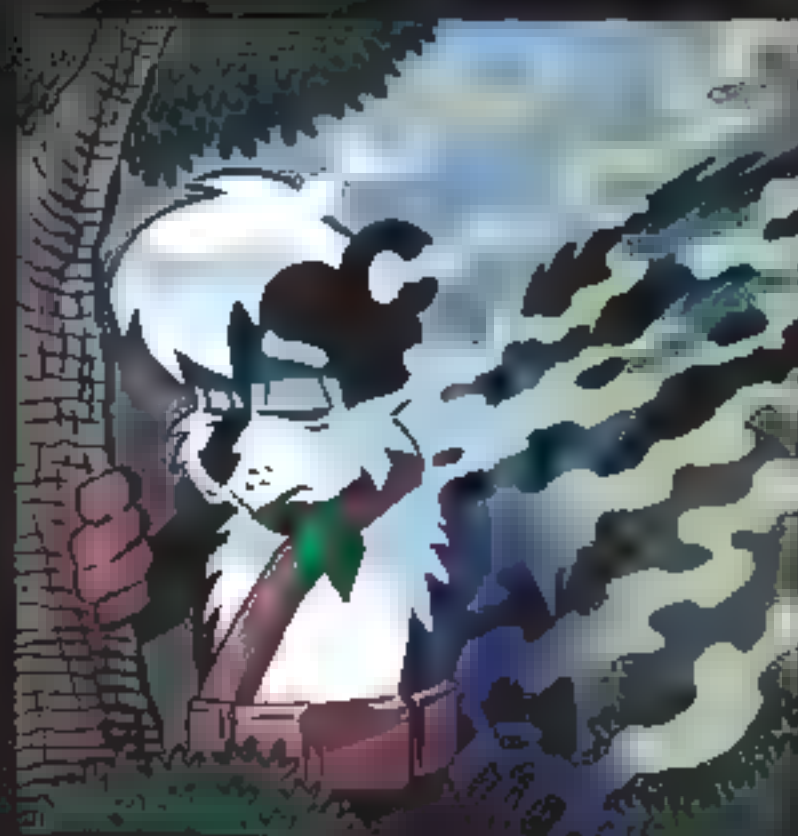
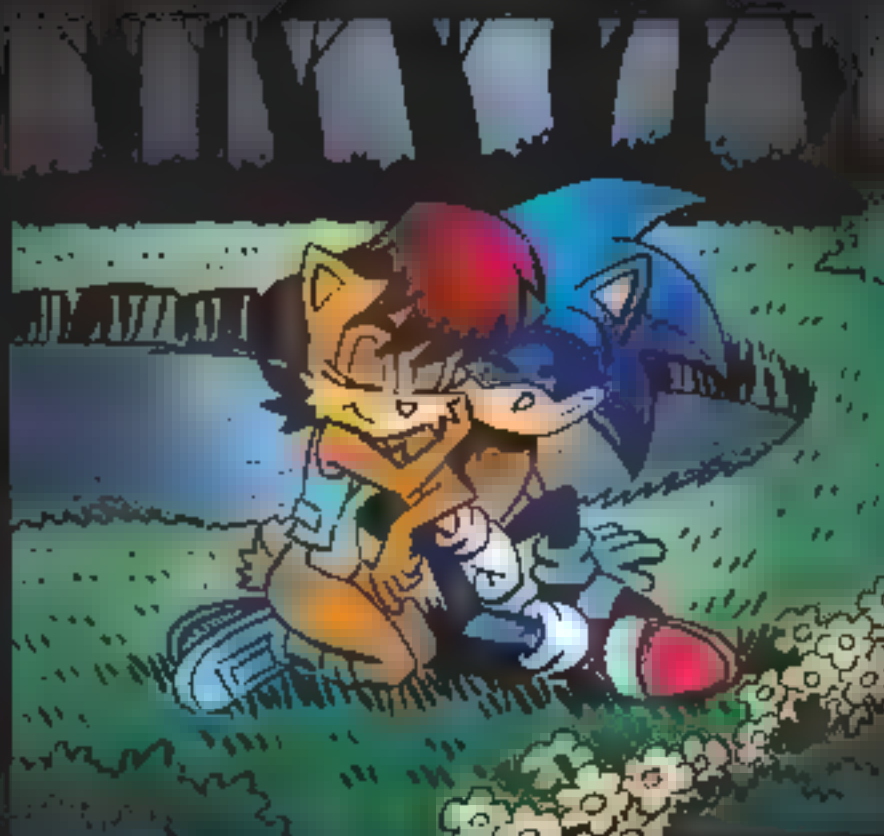
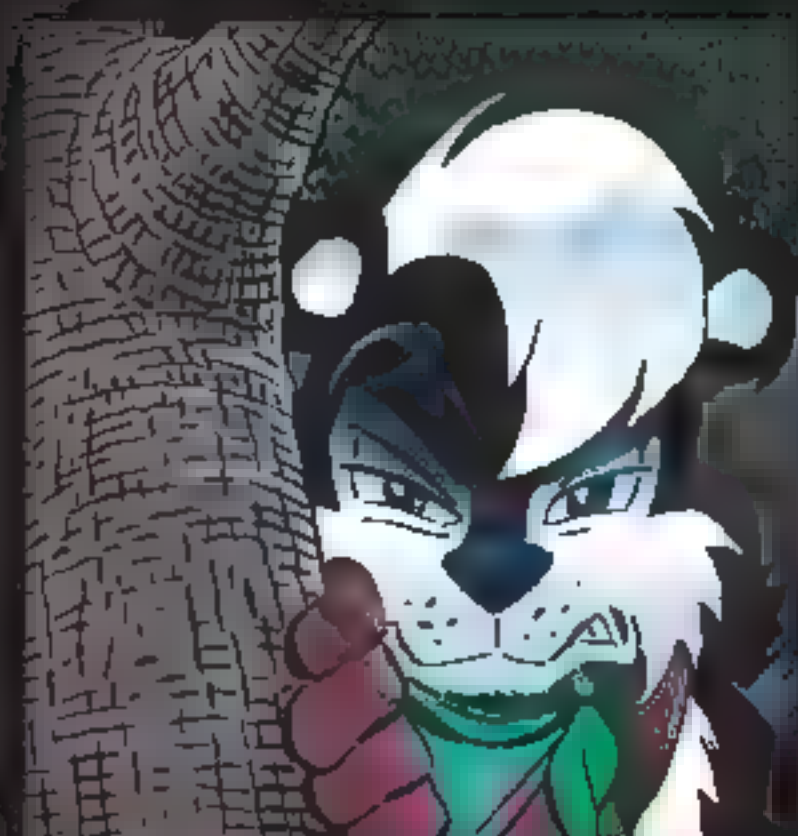
BECAUSE
I WANT TO
BE AT YOUR
SIDE.

REALLY?
THINK YOU
CAN KEEP
UP?

IF
YOU
LET
ME.

YEAH
...I
GUESS
I CAN
SLOW
DOWN
FOR
YOU.





ELSEWHERE...

YOU SHOULD
BE PRACTICING
YOUR SHADOW-
MELDING.

I DON'T
HAVE THE
HEAD FOR IT
TONIGHT, SIR.

CLEAR YOUR
THOUGHTS, BOY!
TOMORROW, NEW
MOBOTROPOLIS
WILL BE MINE!

IXIS
NAUGUS IS
READY TO
MAKE HIS
MOVE!
WILL SONIC AND
THE OTHERS
BE READY FOR
WHAT'S TO
COME?
FIND OUT
NEXT TIME!
UNTIL THEN,
ENJOY SONIC
UNIVERSE,
THE SONIC
ARCHIVES,
AND SONIC
SELECTS!

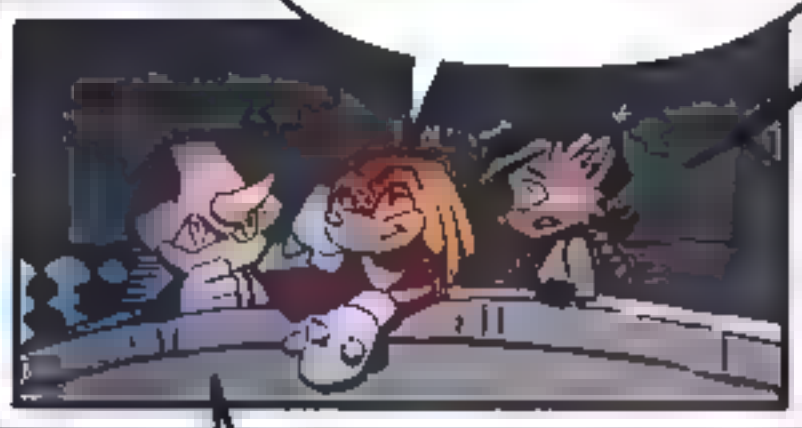
SECOND IMPRESSIONS

PART TWO

LAKE OF RINGS...

G-GOOD EVENING, KNUCKLES. ENJOYING THE NIGHT SKY?

YEAH, VERY PEACEFUL. WHAT'S UP?



IT'S ABOUT WHAT WE DISCUSSED EARLIER...* ABOUT THERE BEING NO MORE SECRETS BETWEEN US.

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NOT THAT I'VE KEPT ANY MORE SECRETS... MAYBE DELAYED TELLING YOU, BUT, ER...

IT'S SENSITIVE INFO. WE REQUIRED A DELICATE TOUCH!

RIGHT! SO, YOU SEE, I--

*SEE STH #212.

RELAX. I KNOW WHAT YOU MEAN. BESIDES, WHATEVER IT IS...

...CAN'T BE THAT BAD.

SOON, AT
THE SCIENCE
CENTER...

HELLO,
KNUCKLES.
IT'S BEEN
A WHILE,
HASN'T
IT?

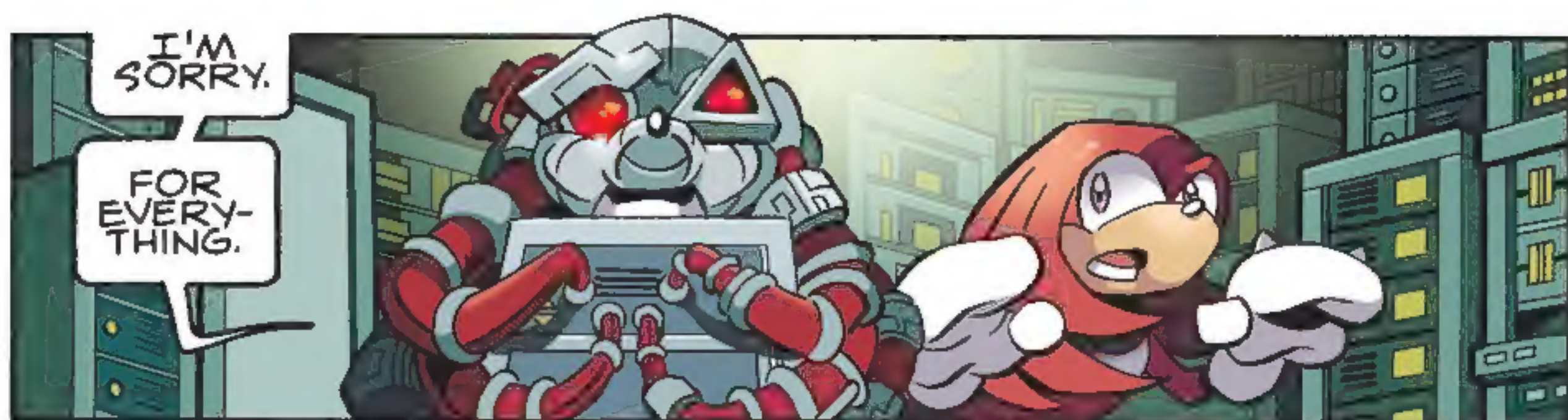
HIM
?!

HE'S PLUGGED INTO
WHATEVER THAT IS,
HE'S *HERE*, AND
NOBODY TOLD
ME?!

I JUST
FOUND
OUT...?

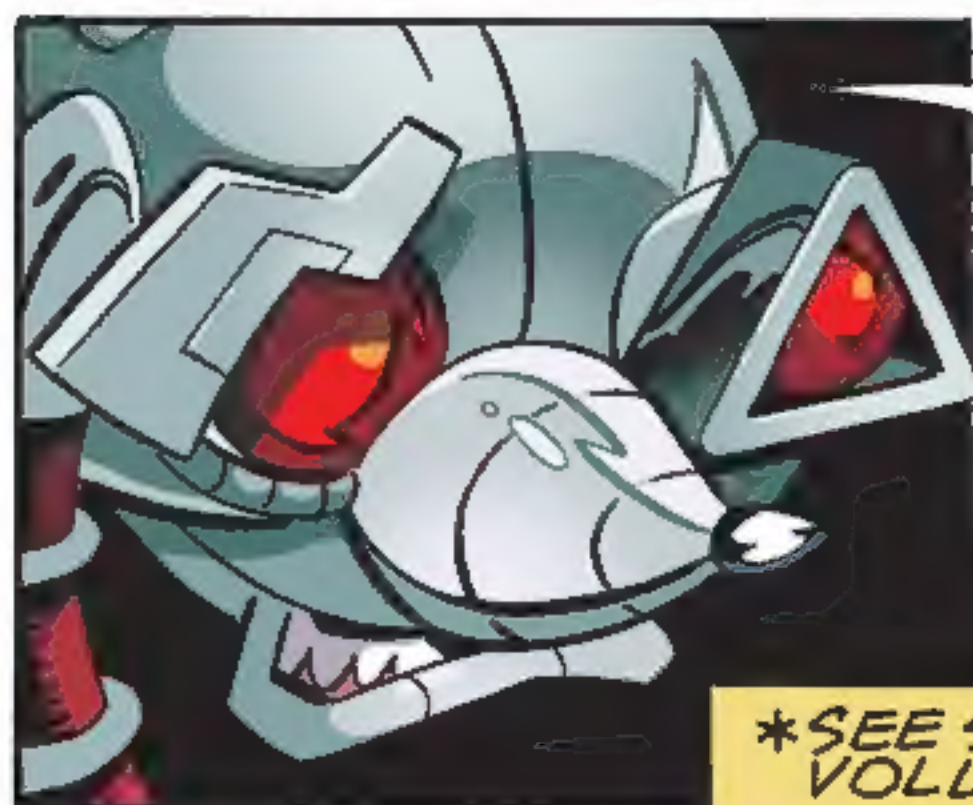
THEY KNOW OUR
TROUBLED HISTORY.
AND I ASKED TO
REMAIN HIDDEN
UNTIL I HAD THE
STRENGTH TO
SPEAK TO YOU.

FINE,
TALK.



I'M
SORRY.

FOR
EVERY-
THING.

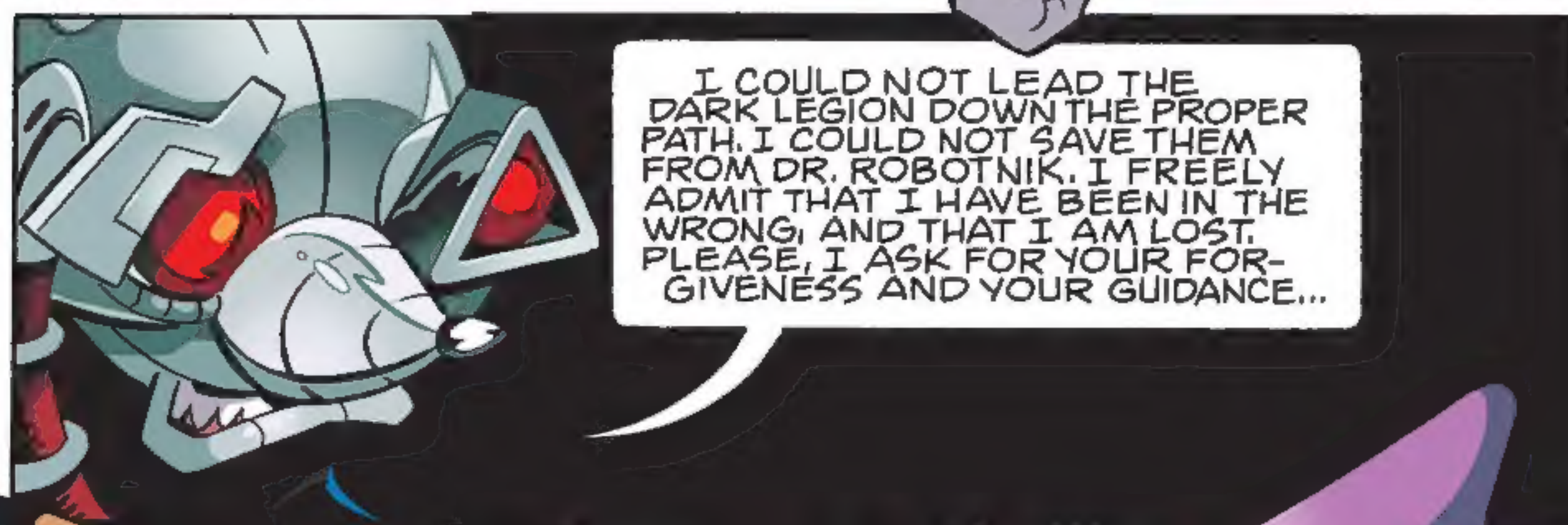


I DON'T KNOW WHICH IS MORE
SHAMEFUL. MY CRIPPLING PRIDE,
OR HOW LONG IT TOOK ME TO
ACKNOWLEDGE IT. WITH EACH
MISTAKE I MADE, I THOUGHT
THAT ~~I~~ AND ONLY I COULD
RIGHT IT. HAD I JUST LISTENED
TO MY BROTHER BACK THEN,
WE BOTH WOULD HAVE BEEN
ABLE TO LIVE OUR LIVES
WITH OUR FAMILIES.*

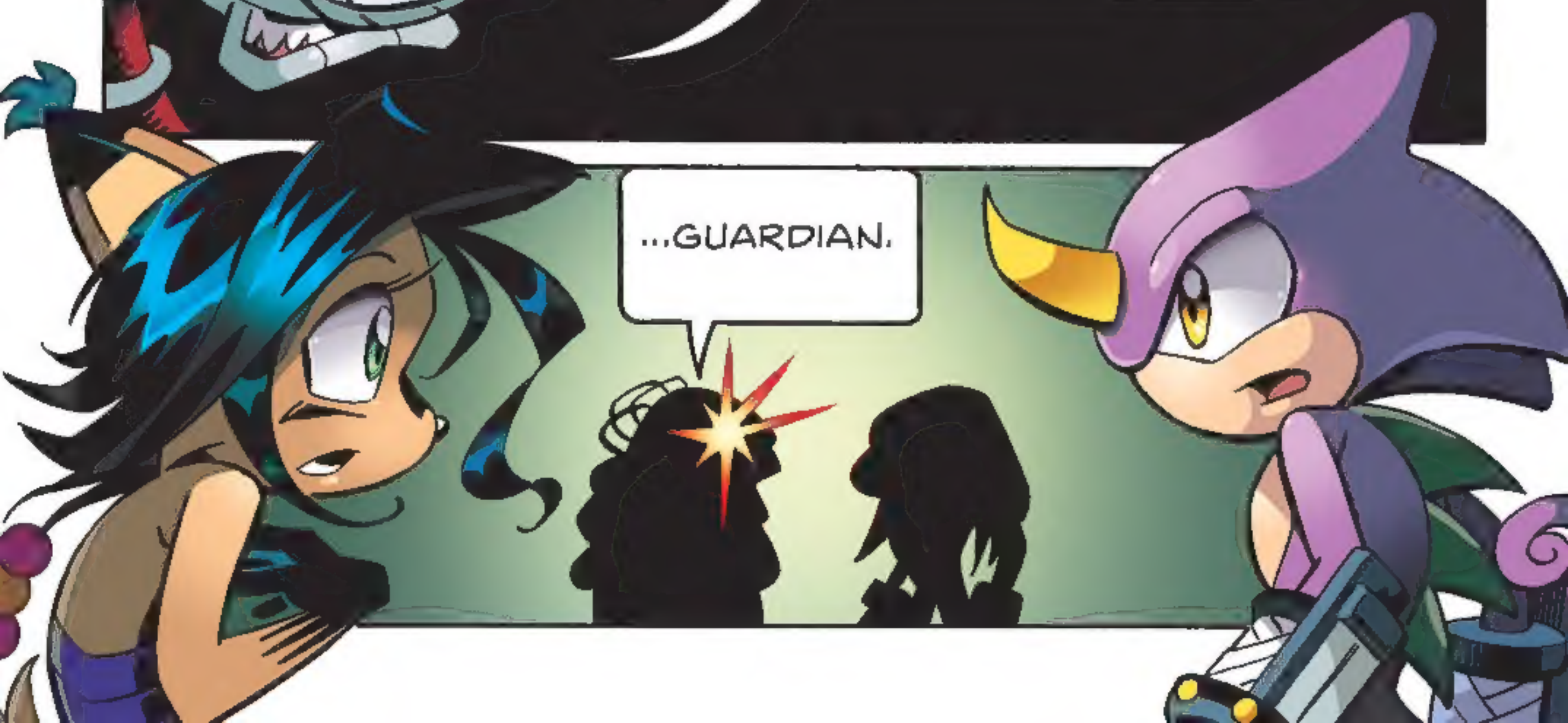
*SEE SONIC ARCHIVES
VOLUME 9.



AND NOW
LOOK AT ME.
LOOK AT
US.



I COULD NOT LEAD THE
DARK LEGION DOWN THE PROPER
PATH. I COULD NOT SAVE THEM
FROM DR. ROBOTNIK. I FREELY
ADMIT THAT I HAVE BEEN IN THE
WRONG, AND THAT I AM LOST.
PLEASE, I ASK FOR YOUR FOR-
GIVENESS AND YOUR GUIDANCE...



...GUARDIAN.

FOR WHAT IT'S WORTH, I THINK HE'S TELLING THE--



HOW DID YOU WIND UP HERE?



SONIC AND TAILS RESCUED ME AFTER I WAS DISABLED BY LIEN-DA.*

AND THE LEGION?

ARMED WITH EXPLOSIVES SO THEY WON'T OPPOSE THE DOCTOR. LIEN-DA WILL HAVE GIVEN THEM A CHIP TO BLOCK THE DETONATOR, BUT THEY WILL BE PRONE TO MIND-CONTROL.**

SO HALF OUR KIND ARE EITHER SLAVES OR AS GOOD AS DEAD.

PLEASE DO NOT PUNCH ME IN THE FACE. IT'S ALL I HAVE LEFT.



*STH # 212.
**STH # 206.



